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Title

: REFORMING APPARATUS FOR MAKING

A CO-REDUCED REFORMED GAS

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 15, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 15, 2005, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until March 15, 2006.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for one month to extend the period for response from March 15, 2005 to April 17, 2006 (April 15, 2006 being a Saturday), and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time for one month accompanied by the government extension of time fee. If for any reason the formal Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office or the extension fee is deficient, this should be considered to be an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any

necessary extension of time fee and/or any required fees to maintain the pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.